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- 1. Between 15 and 25 January 1952 CH EN Man-yuan, commander of the 13 Army Group of the 4 Field Army and vice-chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, inspected Kwangsi coastal defenses. His movements were as follows:
 - a. 15 to 18 January. He inspected Peihai (109-05, 21-24) and Hop'u (109-10, 21-38), where he gave directions concerning the organization of fishermen and concerning the Land-Reform Anti-Thugs (sic) Movement. He also inspected armed forces stationed at the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border.
 - b. 19 to 23 January. He inspected Lungmenchiang (108-, 21-) and coastal defenses of the 43 Army in the Ch'inchou (108-, 21-) region. He also inspected Chinese Communist naval patrol units at Ch'inchouwan (108-, 21-).
 - c. 24 to 25 January. He inspected forces stationed at Fangch'eng (108-23, 21-46) and Tunghsing (107-58, 21-33).
 - d. 26 January. He entrained for Nanning, via Ningming (107-07, 22-09).
- 2. CH'EN expressed the following opinions as a result of this inspection trip:
 - a. Defenses manned by forces stationed in the coastal regions of Kwangsi were strong, and the production movement was being pushed vigorously forward.
 - b. Sea defenses were found weak at various coastal points.
 - c. The second stage of land reform had been pushed forward strongly and should be completed before the autumn harvest of 1952.
 - d. Widespread organization of fishermen was being carried out to increase the production of the fisheries.

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